## PRESS RELEASE UPDATE FROM THE CITY OF CLUTE May 15, 2020

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The City of Clute is sad to report another confirmed case within the City Limits. Although we are all ready for life to get back to "normal", everyone needs to remember that the threat of infection is still very real and we must all continue to use Social Distancing and other protective measures to prevent the spread.

As Texas reopens in phases, so will the City of Clute, please note that beginning Monday May 18<sup>th</sup> City Hall will reopen with modified hours to the public. The facility will be open to the public with a 25% Capacity Limit and observed Social Distancing from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM and from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday. The modified hours will allow staff to ensure that the facilities are sanitized.

Likewise, the Clute Municipal Court will resume regular operations on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>. The City encourages those visiting any City facility to wear a mask or other facial covering.

The City is also aware that many residents are anxious to resume Recycling pickup. Unfortunately, due to ongoing contractual negotiations we are not able to resume that service at this time. We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate everyone's patience. We hope to have more news on this issue in the coming weeks.

In an effort to provide assistance to local businesses, the Mayor has appointed an Economic Recovery Task Force (ERTF). The ERTF is seeking input from Clute businesses to determine how best the City can help. Staff have been delivering questionnaires to local businesses in an effort to collect data we hope that all local business will assist the Task Force by responding as quickly as possible.

For information on the City's response to CoVid19 as well as resources for Business and Job Seekers, please check the City's website: <a href="https://clutetexas.gov/covid-19/">https://clutetexas.gov/covid-19/</a>

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STAY PATIENT, STAY SAFE, STAY STRONG AND STAY SOCIALLY DISTANT!!

**City of Clute**